

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-9996-32-OMS]

Privacy Act of 1974; System of Records

AGENCY: Office of Mission Support, Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Rescindment of a System of Records Notice.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Research and Development is giving notice of its intent to rescind the Peer Review Panelist Information System of Records Notice (EPA-37).

DATES: The Agency stopped using the PRPIS on January 27, 2016. Persons wishing to comment on the rescindment of this system must do so by [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, identified by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OEI-2018-0566, by one of the following methods:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Peer Review Panelist Information System (EPA-37) was established to assist the EPA Office of Research and Development (ORD) conduct and document review of applications for research grants, cooperative agreements, and fellowships through the use of peer reviewers from the scientific community. ORD is no longer collecting the information about the scientific community. The system stopped collecting data on Jan 27, 2016. This information is now processed through Inter Agency Agreement (IA) with the Department of Health and Human Services. The HHS system is used for Peer reviews. The EPA Records Schedule 1003 has a 10-year retention. Records collected are stored on a CD and may be disposed in January 2026.

SYSTEM NAME AND NUMBER: Peer Review Panelist Information System (EPA-37) **HISTORY:** 62 FR 48278 (September 15, 1997) - Establishment of the Peer Review Panelist Information System of Records Notice (EPA-37).

67 FR 8246 (February 22, 2002) - Republication of existing System of Records.

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